GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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WINDING UP OF SEZ SCHEME
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government are contemplating to wind up the Special Economic Zone (SEZ) as reported in the `Rashtriya Sahara` dated September 14, 2002; and

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein; and

(c) the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) No , Sir.

(b) & (c): The Government had announced a Special Economic Zone (SEZ) scheme in April 2000Based on detailed projects reports submitted by the State Governments/private promoters, 3 new SEZs have been formally approved.In addition, `in principle` approval has been granted for setting up of 14 new SEZs. Substantial area of land is already in possession of the implementing agencies of Navi-Mumbai, Visakhapatnam, Nangunery and Indore SEZs.Further the implementing agencies of Navi Mumbai and Visakhapatnam SEZs are on the look out for strategic partners.The Greenfield SEZs are being set up largely in the private sector in association with the State Governments and are in nature of large infrastructure projects with long gestation period.